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COMMENT OF THE DAY

GUIANA ELECTION

THE general election to be held in British Guiana in the middle of next month, the first since the Constitution was suspended in 1953, will be watched with great interest, particularly by the neighbours in Trinidad and other islands of the projected West Indian Federation. It is believed the result may give a pointer to the country's possible participation in the Federation.

For over a hundred years some form of closer union for the adjacent territories has been discussed and re-discussed, but can British Guiana be coaxed into federation?

West Indian leaders settled down to the task of arranging their business to make sure that the Federation will work right from its inception in the first quarter of next year. The Federation seems assured of success as the members are fortified in their task by the fact that the proposed closer association of the units is a natural growth, a mutual approach inspired from within and not imposed on them by the United Kingdom.

NO PRESSURE

EVIDENCE of this is the fact that no pressure has been brought on British Guiana to join the Federation, although their membership would no doubt be most welcome. The same may also be said for British Honduras. Indeed the entire set-up can never really be complete without them.

The way is open for British Guiana to join in with Jamaica, the Windward Islands and the Leeward Islands, Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago on the Australian model of a bicameral legislature and thus enjoy the full status of a dominion within the Commonwealth.

But there exists a red spot on the horizon of unanimity in British Guiana. Dr Cheddi Jagan, the deposed East Indian Chief Minister, who was formerly credited by the Guianese Government, has revealed himself as an irreconcilable exponent of the Communist doctrine and a staunch advocate of Communist tactics in the Colony's politics.

INDICATION

DR Jagan's policy is unlikely to change and there are strong indications that his People's Progressive Party will once again dominate the elections and thus win a majority of seats in the Legislative Council.

Dr Jagan's major objection to his country joining the Federation appears to be that the democratically elected leaders might take steps to squish the regime he intends to impose on the subjects of British Guiana. And this is a possibility that Dr Jagan could not tolerate; it would lead to his downfall and ultimate political annihilation.

DOMINATING

IT seems that the Jagens will dominate the election as they did in 1953 as they have the only organised party capable of carrying out a political campaign. If, on the other hand, the splinter groups can manage to combine into an anti-Communist bloc there is a likelihood of British Guiana becoming a fully fledged member of the Federation.

Another Jagan government might well be disastrous. The benefits of federation will be lost. Indeed, the situation could be tragic.

H.E. BROADCASTS TO BRITAIN

Hongkong's Position As Mainland Entrepot Explained

London, July 30.

SIR Alexander Grantham said in a recorded broadcast interview here tonight that the lifting of the ban of trade with China would help the Colony "but not to the extent some people thought a few years ago."

The broadcast, recorded here when Sir Alexander was in London recently, was given in the BBC's "At Home and Abroad" programme in the Home Service.

In answer to a series of questions, Sir Alexander said trade between Hongkong and China would be restricted because China was short of foreign exchange. "If she has not got foreign exchange, then she will not be able to buy goods—it's as simple as that," he said.

ENTREPOT

Asked if he saw a resumption of Hongkong's position as an entrepot with goods passing into and out of China, Sir Alexander replied that the Colony would remain an entrepot, but even before the advent of the Communist regime in China the entrepot trade had started declining slightly. He pointed out that the trade embargo had been lifted now for about two months. But there were no signs at present of trade increasing to any considerable extent.

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When he was asked about cheap Hongkong products exported to Britain and what Britain got in return, Sir Alexander stated that Hongkong bought roughly twice as much from Britain as Britain bought from Hongkong.

Asked what made the Chinese in Hongkong "so extraordinarily good" at industry, Sir Alexander replied: "They work very hard, they are extremely intelligent and careful workers. If you go into a factory, or some workshop where very delicate work is being done, you'll see the fitness of the work they do."

LONG PROCESS

If Hongkong's 2,500,000 Chinese were to good at industry, what about the 600 million on the Chinese mainland, he was asked.

LOOKING FOR 70TH WIFE

Singapore, July 30.

A sixty-three-year old Singapore Moslem businessman, who has married 69 times, wants to marry once more "just to make it 70."

Tengku Mohamed Arisla Bin Ahmed, who married his first wife at the age of 16, however, has never had more than four wives at a time, as it is forbidden by Moslem law.

Why back in 1937, he married three girls on the same night, one of whom—Khatija—is his only remaining wife at present.

Sir Alexander replied: "Well that's going to be a very long process. After all, these 600 million on the mainland are mainly peasant farmers and the first thing they've got to do is to grow enough food to feed themselves and then grow some more to feed the factory workers."

SERIOUS PROBLEM

Sir Alexander, replying to another question, said refugees from the mainland flooding into Hongkong were still a serious problem. There were now between 700,000 and one million refugees, half of Hongkong's population. He added "Hongkong has a shoulder that burden unloads."—Reuter.

Substantial Disarmament Agreement

London, July 30.

Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, had a four and a half hour meeting today with the four Western delegates to the London disarmament conference at which a "substantial measure" of agreement had been reached on the Western disarmament position.

However, it would be necessary to hold a further Western delegates meeting tomorrow, before the full five member Disarmament Subcommittee meets in the afternoon.

In the Subcommittee Mr Stassen, US delegate, has submitted the proposal that test should be suspended for 10 months, provided there was agreement to negotiate later a suspension of nuclear weapon production.

The Russians on the other hand have proposed a two or three-year suspension of tests. A period of 18 months, it was felt, would have the chance of becoming a compromise solution.

NOT KNOWN

Diplomatic observers said the full reasons for Mr Dulles's visit appeared not to have emerged yet. For the present it seemed that the lack of co-ordination among the four Western delegations was much worse than had been earlier made public and that Mr Dulles had come to seek Western agreement on a joint position which had a chance of obtaining Soviet acceptance.

THE WAGGLE OF THE KILT OR TREWS?

London, July 30.

Angry Scots today awaited with interest the answer to Premier Harold Macmillan's latest headache—what happens to the kilt when a regiment which wears it merges with one which wears the trews?

The Premier's problem: Which regiment gives up its traditional uniform, the Highlanders who wear the kilt or the new-arriving Lowlanders?

Scottish M.P.s intend to take the matter into the Commons. —United Press.

WOMEN H-BOMB THE COMMONS

London, July 30.

Two middle-aged women in the Public Gallery of the House of Commons tonight showered members of parliament with leaflets demanding the banning of the H-bomb.

One of the leaflets said: "We, the mothers of this young children of this country, demand that you ban the H-bomb." They were escorted from the Gallery by policemen. The House was debating the administration of local authorities. —Reuter.

LAMMERTS LEAVING



Mr and Mrs Lionel Lammert are leaving Hongkong. (See story on Back Page Col. 1).—China Mail Photo.

Technical Tricks JAPANESE WANT TOO MANY ATOMIC DETAILS

From CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, July 30.

A vast list of technical questions has been sent to the British Atomic Energy Authority—by Japanese experts now in Britain.

And they will not get the answers they want. For if they did they would get so much know-how they would almost be able to build an atomic power station themselves.

Most of the questions have been answered in an evasive way so that the Japanese will still have to pay if they want to know how.

There are already signs that the Japanese are whittling down the order they originally planned. British firms hoped to sell them a complete power station costing about £25 million.

Since the Japanese experts were shown round Calder Hall Station they now claim that all they need to buy is a uranium fuel.

They want to build a steam and an electricity plant that goes with it, themselves.

This would mean they would get the basic part of British know-how and also uranium fuel for the least possible cost.

Fishing Boat Captured Of Johore

Singapore, July 30.

An unidentified craft, flying no flag but equipped with two machineguns was spotted today taking a fishing boat in tow off the shore of Johore, the Royal Navy announced.

The incident, which took place outside Malayan territorial waters, was "suspicious" although no illegal act was committed, the Navy said.

Malayan Physicist Disappears

ON WAY TO CHINA?

MALAYA'S leading nuclear physicist, Dr Thong Saw-pak, has left the colony for Hongkong to join the University of Peking, a Singapore English language daily reported this morning.

In a front page article, according to France-Press, the paper said this morning that Dr Thong's disappearance behind the "Iron Curtain" had caused grave concern in top government circles because of his up-to-date knowledge in the field of nuclear physics, most of which he gathered during studies in England.

Dr Thong, who returned from England recently with the Ph.D. degree in nuclear physics from Belfast University, was senior lecturer in physics at the University of Malaya. He was understood to have left the colony last week for Hongkong from where his trip to Peking was arranged by Communist Chinese agents.

The newspaper said that Dr Thong told some of his closest colleagues at the university that he was getting a senior post in physics department of Peking University.

NO CONFIRMATION

Hongkong authorities were unable to confirm that Dr Thong had arrived here and departed for China last week. If Dr Thong had travelled with a British passport he would not be required to register with the Police, but if the physicist chose to travel as a Chinese national, then he would be like one of the thousands who arrive or depart every day.

A Government spokesman said this morning if Dr Thong desired to go to China, he was at liberty to do so.

Suez Canal Test Ship Blacklisted

Cairo, July 30.

The Egyptian customs administration announced today that the Danish cargo ship Birgitte Toft which went through the Suez Canal bound for Israel on July 22 had been blacklisted by Egypt.

She is forbidden to load or unload merchandise at Egyptian ports.

The Birgitte Toft was the first Israeli-bound ship to transit the Canal after declaring her destination openly since the Canal was reopened. —Reuter.

BRITISH TROOPS ENDING UN SERVICE

The 22,445-ton troopship Asturias returned this morning from South Korea with 1,100 men of the First Battalion, Royal Sussex Regiment, and troops of other Commonwealth units on their way home.

The evacuation of Commonwealth troops from Korea brings to an end seven years of service under the United Nations Flag in Korea. Very few British troops are now left in Korea.

The First Battalion, Royal Sussex Regiment, under the command of Lieut-Colonel B. Sleeman, OBE, MC, is going to Gibraltar to complete their overseas tour of duty. The Regiment had been in Korea for a year.

Disembarking here was a group of 70 members of the New Zealand Army, under Captain D. McCord. Major (Peter) F. J. Greca was also with the group. The group will return to New Zealand by air.

On arrival here this morning the troops swarmed ashore for a few hours of leave. They will sail again at 5 this afternoon.

British troops went to Korea in June, 1950, soon after the Communist invasion there. The First Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment arrived in early August and was later joined by the Third Battalion of the Royal Australian Regiment.

FLY WITH THE PILOTS WHO FLY THE WORLD



TWA CAPTAIN PHARES McFERREN, photographed here in Paris, fills his spare time with hobbies. He golfs in the respectable mid-seventies, is a canny deep-sea fisherman and enjoys swimming with his wife and two teen-ago daughters in their Glendale, California, backyard pool. His son, a Marine Corps pilot, occasionally whips him in chess, but has a long way to go to match his father's flying experience. Captain McFerren, with over 4 million miles in the air, is TWA's brand of pilot, the kind of man you like to have in command.

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TWO BOMB HOAXES DELAY PLANES

Paris, July 30. THE "Air France" Nice-Paris plane was called back to Nice today, 30 minutes after it had taken off, because an anonymous caller had telephoned the company to say there was a bomb aboard the aircraft.

TELEPHONED

A second "bomb" hoax was reported today from the Paris-Nice flight. The second plane was also called back to Nice. The first plane, which had been delayed for 30 minutes, was allowed to continue its journey. The second plane, which had been delayed for 15 minutes, was also allowed to continue its journey.

Duke Falls Again

Cowdrey Park, Surrey, July 30. The Duke of Edinburgh, watched by Queen Elizabeth, fell from his pony on a polo cup match here today.

The Duke was seen able to remount and continue.

Geologist Heard Call Of Yeti In The Pamirs

Warsaw, July 30. A Russian geologist today told the story of how he heard the call of the "Abominable Snowman" high up in the Pamir mountains 20 years ago.

In an article published by the "Pravda" newspaper, the geologist, Alexander S. Yermakov, told how, while on an expedition in the Pamir mountains (Southern Soviet Union) his expedition, sitting round the camp fire, suddenly heard an indescribable cry, which was neither a roar nor a wail.

Local shepherds, peacefully tending their flocks nearby, panicked and screamed. "The Snowman" was seen, they said, in the form of a white, hairy creature, about 10 feet high, with a long, pointed nose and a small, dark, round eye.

Fresh Print

Sentinel went on to say that when he returned to the Pamirs shortly before the last war, he saw the fresh print of a bare foot about 11 inches long and four inches wide in the snow. He had just crossed a 15,000-foot pass and was called to look at the prints by the screams of his local porters.

The prints came up from the valley and were lost in rocky ground. There were five toes and the big toe was longer and slightly apart, as with men. There was no sign of claws.

Sentinel said he had talked about it to another Russian geologist.

QUESTION ON DETAINED POLITICIAN

London, July 30. COLONIAL Secretary Ann Lennon-Boyd said today any decision to release from detention Lim Chin-sing, a member of the Singapore Legislative Assembly, must come from the elected government of Singapore.

Lennon-Boyd, answering a question in the House of Commons by Sir Aubrey (Labour), said: "This is a matter for the elected government of Singapore."

In answer to a question from Aneurin Bevan (Labour) asking for the election of a representative from Lim's constituency to the Singapore Assembly, Lennon-Boyd said:

ASSEMBLY

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News from Britain

Industrial violence belongs to Alien Places where passions run high and faith in the law is low.

by LES ARMOUR

SMASHED windows, free-for-all fights, massed attacks on buses, stink bombs, crowbars.

The list might easily have been culled from an American strike riot of the thirties. Only the sub-machine gun was missing.

Each time a new newspaper is set with growing industry.

The right to picket peacefully was established nearly 100 years ago and since then, apart from a short period toward the end of the 19th century, the rights of both picketers and property owners have been clearly established and almost always observed with astonishing scrupulousness.

Industrial violence belongs to alien places where passions run high and faith in the law was less common.

Why then should a strike of provincial busmen—a generally friendly lot—erupt into ugliness and bitterness which will last and pollute for years to come?

No one doubts that it is not only a provincial busman's wage. The basic wage for a driver is eight pounds, three shillings a week. Conductors get four shillings less.

Overtime adds an unknown amount, probably an average of a pound a week though not all busmen get a chance to work it.

The strike is therefore, not surprising even in a period of inflation, it might even be the busmen themselves more than the road and certainly will not help the community. Determination to win is also a surprise.

But the outburst of violence requires a more complicated explanation than that.

One root of it lies in the fact that Mr. Frank Cousins, the General Secretary of the Transport and General Workers Union, has declared open war on the government. He has said flatly that the government cannot expect co-operation from

him if it pursues policies of which he does not approve.

Another root is that the government seems, unwittingly, to have accepted the curious doctrine of the class war. In a recent speech Mr. Macmillan referred to employers and trade unionists as "masters and men."

The left-wing of the popular press did not miss the opportunity to make the utmost of that phrase.

The third root is that the busmen, not alone among trade unionists, believe that they are being swamped in a runaway inflation. Mr. Thompson's dire warnings on this subject—followed, incredibly, by increases in postal charges, telephone rates, railway freight rates, and M.P.'s salaries—did not go unheard.

They did not, unfortunately, have the effect of inspiring voters to self-control but of inspiring them to get in quick before they were trampled in the rush.

Mr. Macmillan was forced to make a "there is no crisis" speech but it did not, apparently, sound very convincing.

In this atmosphere the busmen have somehow come to the conclusion that they are in a fight to the death. And that is the way they are fighting it.

Garden of Trouble

The other strike which was taking place last week was one of those curious things almost unintelligible to all but the experts—a dispute over the division of jobs within an industry.

At Covent Garden Market—the central distributing centre for the nation's fruit and vegetables—the parties were on strike because they refused to accept an arbitration tribunal's decision that some of the "specialist" rules should be relaxed. Under the new system, which the employers insisted should be put into effect immediately, one porter might be required to do

several different jobs in the course of a day.

Whatever the rights and wrongs of the matter, the public may be forgiven for suspecting that the porters have been having a very easy time of it. The employers have been running the market almost entirely with their office staffs.

And so far there has been no shortage of fruit and vegetables.

The annual list of resolutions for the Labour Party's national conference has provided us, once again, with an object lesson in the problems of democracy.

There are, for instance, 127 resolutions demanding the banning of the hydrogen bomb—a step which, it seems likely, a

solid majority of people in Britain favour.

But what is interesting is that not one resolution in the list makes any detailed proposals for an international agreement which might make the ban safe.

And not one proposes any defence policy which would fill the gap left by the bomb.

One of these resolutions will certainly pass the annual conference. That will leave the party leaders in the unenviable position of having, whatever their personal views, to invent a policy to justify the proposal.

Another delightful resolution calls for the establishment of a "Socialist United States of Europe." Note that it is to be "Socialist" or nothing.

The same resolution terms the plan for a Common Market, the Schuman plan, the infant "Council of Europe" at Strasbourg and all the rest of the tentative steps towards a tentative step towards a tentative step to be condemned out of hand.

The Socialist United States of Europe is to be born whole or not at all.

If that one passes, Mr. Gaillard will probably take to merrill...

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A TOURIST IN POLAND SEES A

BALANCED ON A TIGHT-ROPE

"My mother was in a German concentration camp. My father was captured by the Russians—we have not heard of him since 1952. Here in Poland at this moment it is good—since October. But our geographical position, it makes it difficult."

These words were spoken to me by a young technician in the lounge of an hotel in Krakow. In essence, they project the problem of Poland.

Everywhere the persistent phrases are "since October," "at this moment," and "our geographical position makes it difficult." For the Poles are living from day to day. How long their present freedom will last, how practical may be their hopes, not one of them would dare to guess.

Never have I seen a whole nation so delicately balanced on a tight-rope, from its leaders in Warsaw to its workers and teachers in the provinces.

As I drove over the Oder into Poland I wondered what I should find in this country that is now making one of the strangest experiments in government by consent that history has seen.

I have come here as a tourist on a tourist visa, for Poland is now welcoming tourists from the West—but to visit Poland is not merely to do the tourist rounds. For every person, every accident, every experience here is coloured by the political and economic situation in which the country stands at this moment.

Freedom of speech

Unlike other Iron Curtain countries of my experience, there are no "Big Brother" portraits of party leaders greeting you in each hotel bedroom and lounge and in every street and office. There are no security escorts, no questioning as to one's activities or whereabouts.

In the market squares the elaborate glass-framed "Norm" boards that used to carry charts and lists indicating the local workers' levels of production are now empty or announce local concerts. The barbed wire that used to surround industrial centres and the armed guards at their gates have gone.

It was even possible to be regarded as an individual with a name of my own in booking rooms at hotels and when paying hotel bills, instead of the usual Iron Curtain method of dealing only in "delegations". Hitherto I have been addressed on hotel accounts as "English delegation."

tractors, and too few lorries to carry their goods to market. Nevertheless life is not all austerity. In the big towns whole families sit for hours drinking a chemical-laced fizzy known as fruit juice or an excellent cheap beer beneath bright umbrellas on terraces and pavement cafes.

Polish workers work a non-stop, eight-hour day from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

They have their Teddy boys and Teddy girls who rock in

by
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Manchester Guardian.

To the Poles, the most important sign of change is their freedom of speech.

"Now we talk on anything—it is good," they say. It is the first point a Pole makes in explaining life "since October." The old security police, they say, have been dissolved. Half have been drafted into the ordinary police. The rest have found jobs elsewhere.

But, I notice that although all Poles with whom I talk speak out fearlessly, each one is careful to do so only when alone with me or with others whom he knows well. There is still just that amount of caution.

As to standard of living, life is hard for the Poles. Prices for most foods tend for all consumer goods are high. For example, a secretary earns between 200 and 1,200 zloties a month. An electrical engineer earns approximately 2,000 zloties a month.

Against these wages, butter is 55 zloties per kilo, tomatoes 50-75 zloties per kilo, cakes and biscuits 30-50 zloties per kilo, meat averages 55 zloties per kilo, woolen cloth is 300-400 zloties a metre, cotton material from 18 to 120 zloties a metre, shoes anything from 120 zloties for a cheap summer canvas style to as much as 1,200 zloties for a decent leather pair—those worn by most people are of the 300-zloty style.

Great that, save for the cheapest cottons and wools and for the most generally worn type of shoes, qualities are quite good—but there have been in other Iron Curtain countries, still, for the Poles these prices are high.

Poland is in fact going through a severe and prolonged austerity period as we did after the war. And she must continue to do so for some time.

She has achieved many things in the material sense.

From a completely obliterated Warsaw, she has now built a fine city. But there have been acres of utter devastation to be reclaimed.

In cities like Wroclaw, in the western territories along the inflammatory Oder-Neisse line, a whole industrial region is operating in ruins of blitz and battle.

With education free to all, but with priority going to the party member or the child of the party member as has been the case in the past, there has been very little incentive to study for its own sake.

"Now I find I have to return work to my students three or four times until it is of sufficiently high standard to pass. Some of them do not like it."

"Things have been too easy for them. Before—they knew the rewards. They did not have to think."

Now, since October, we try to reach good standards again, but the minds of our students are untrained.

Amid all this, the question arises: how is it that the Poles support a Communist Government? For apart from officials, I personally have not met a single Pole who is Communist. Yet each one supports Gomulka.

He is a good man—and he is right for us now—is the explanation mostly given. They do not approve of other Communist aims or methods. They criticize severely the immense bureaucracy which is bogging down every transaction. But they agree that "in our geographical position" they cannot afford internal divisions "at this moment."

They hate and fear the Russians, but they realize they cannot afford to offend them—"only they can guarantee our Western territories and frontier."

Teachers' task

School and university teachers dismissed seven years ago have been recalled to their former tasks. Their joy is incredible. Their enthusiasm is inspiring. But they are finding it hard.

One woman university teacher put it to me. "For all these years the students have been taught not to accept a whole range of principles. They have been taught something quite new—which now we teachers have to unlearn for them."

They do not know what to believe.

SCHOOL REPORT

ANNE EDWARDS says

"It's the biggest thing in millions of homes."

NOW that the Queen knows something of what it is like to be the mother of a small boy at school, I feel I should warn her that getting through sports day is only the first hurdle.

The next—and it will come along pretty soon now—is the school report.

This document almost always manages to pack a few sharp jabs and uppercuts, thinly disguised in mild, schoolmasterly lingo, usually so accurately aimed and so pitifully stated that they remain in the recipient's mind for the rest of his life.

Among my friends I find that the slings and arrows of these reports have left their scars.

"When I was at Eton," recalls photographer Tony Armstrong-Jones, "my reports were so awful that when I saw the envelope I used to say, 'Good-bye, I'm going out for the day.' They used to say things like: 'Maybe he is interested in some subject but it isn't a subject we teach here.'"

"Another friend once at Harrow," how a successful business man, remembers with pain, that

alongside the slot for remarks on maths his master wrote, "Alarmingly stupid."

Sir Leonard Hutton told me that he was referred to as "a dreamer," and added, "during most lessons I used to dream I was making 100 at Melbourne."

PINCH OF SALT

Sir Kenneth Clark, chairman of the Arts Council and IPA, said he could not remember anything outstanding about his reports—except that the headmaster once described him as "a jolly boy."

Two men said their reports were quite ordinary, "settling the headmaster was in the wall handwriting," said the first.

"Quite moderate," said the second. And the third was Sir Robert Boothby, the second Sir Norman Birkett.

Brief as it is, this summary bears out my theory that every parent should take school reports with a pinch of salt—and a backward glance at what their own was like.

If the boy collects a few "Fairly satisfactory," a couple of "Making slow progress-es," one "A good term," and only a couple of "This difficulty with this subject"—you are probably the mother of an average schoolboy who may easily turn out as above-average as the men I've just quoted.

As for the school's bright boys—they mostly become headmasters and get their own back by writing school reports on the other men's sons.

Like the headmaster I know who wrote about a small boy in his report: "He works well in a way, but his essay, criticising the headmaster was in the worst possible taste."

NO PETTY REVENGE

"The Communist Party of the Soviet Union," said Moscow Radio on the other night, "is not in the habit of taking petty revenge."

They never said a truer word.

"The revenge they take is not at all petty—it is merciless, irrevocable and complete."

Like sharks these rulers of Russia have for forty years fallen upon each other and the whole body politic runs red with their murderous fury.

Malenkov is — for the moment — exiled to a desolous post as a power station manager. From Prime Minister to an enhanced electric light shopkeeper in less than three years is a faster demotion than the West would dare to contemplate for a Head of State.

The fates of Molotov, Kaganovich and Shepilov have not yet been decided.

But at least the first two are in mortal peril for both have been responsible for countless deaths in the Stalinist purges—as has Khrushchev himself.

There never was a body of rulers who have devoured and destroyed each other with such zest. Nasty accidents have happened to five out of the seven Presidents of the Central Executive and forty-three out of the fifty-three Secretaries of the Central Organisation.

Six per cent of all Soviet Generals, nine out of eleven Cabinet Ministers of the Soviet Government holding office in 1936, seven out of eight members of the Soviet War Council, and three out of every five Marshals of the Soviet Army have been liquidated.

Where is Rykoff? Milyutin? Krylenko? Aviloff? Trotsky? Beria? Kirov? Yenukidze? Bukharin? Bulanov? Voznessensky? Kamenov? Pyatakov? Rakovsky? Riumin? Abakumov? Bagirov? Zavenyagin?

They are very, very dead. These are only some of the more famous names in the new idealistic society of the Workers' Paradise.

They held the highest posts in that unhappy land. And then they went in a deadly trice.

No, there is no charge of petty revenge.

Just murder, cold, callous, and unending.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

BORN today, you have an idealistic nature and a concentration on an objective which almost amounts to a phobia. If you cannot achieve your desires, you become irritable and hard to live with.

Make it a point to see that nothing stands in your way; take the initiative and lead others as you want them to go. Unless you exert this positive side of your nature, you will become a misanthrope which will be quite your own making, for the stars have

given you the talents and the tenacity to stick to the job until it is finished.

You take the broad outlook on life and see everything on a wide screen. You prefer to leave the detail work to others, but if those going the work are inefficient, you will step in and do it yourself. This, actually, is a waste of your own energies. For better to rid yourself of inefficient staff workers and get others who can carry out your directions to the letter.

In youth, your surplus physical energy may find an outlet in active sports, but as you grow older you will find that this becomes nervous energy and you seem to have a private "hard-driving" machine inside your own head.

You have a good mind for business and it is likely that you will accumulate quite a fortune during your lifetime. As you don't it will be your own fault.

Exercise caution in selecting a marriage partner. You need power, one who believes in you as much as you do yourself. Prudence and encouragement are stimulants to bigger and better production.

Among those born on this date were: John Ericsson, designer of the "Monitor"; James Kent, statesman; Edward Kendall, architect; Abram S. Hewitt, inventor and statesman; William D. Williamson, early governor of Maine; and Paul du Chailu, explorer and author.

To find what the stars in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Bidders Set In Bad No-Trump

By OSWALD JACOBY

SOUTH's three no-trump bid was downright bad. He did have a minimum opening and he did have most of his high card strength in the unbid suits but he also held three spades to the jack and his partner had made a bid and a jump rebid in that suit.

North didn't like to leave three no-trump in but his void was in a suit bid by his partner and North had bid his spades very strongly so that North could not really expect to find his partner with three spades to the jack.

Four spades would of course have been a lay down. There was no play for three no-trump but South did give it the old college try.

He won East's king of diamonds with the ace and took

NORTH			
♠	AQ78		
♥	None		
♦	70432		
♣	K109		
EAST			
♠	105		
♥	9742		
♦	Q1085		
♣	74		
SOUTH (D)			
♠	J83		
♥	QJ863		
♦	AJ		
♣	A62		
North and South vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦5			

two rounds of spades, stopping in his own hand.

His next play was the jack of diamonds and West was in with the queen.

West had quite a decision to make. All leads looked bad. Finally West decided that South had taken away his two spades in the hope that he would lead a club. Hence, West decided against a club lead under any circumstances.

West's next decision was that he had better cash a diamond and see what his partner would discard.

The diamond play was all that was necessary. East discarded the ten of hearts whereupon West cashed his remaining diamond and led a heart to set the contract.

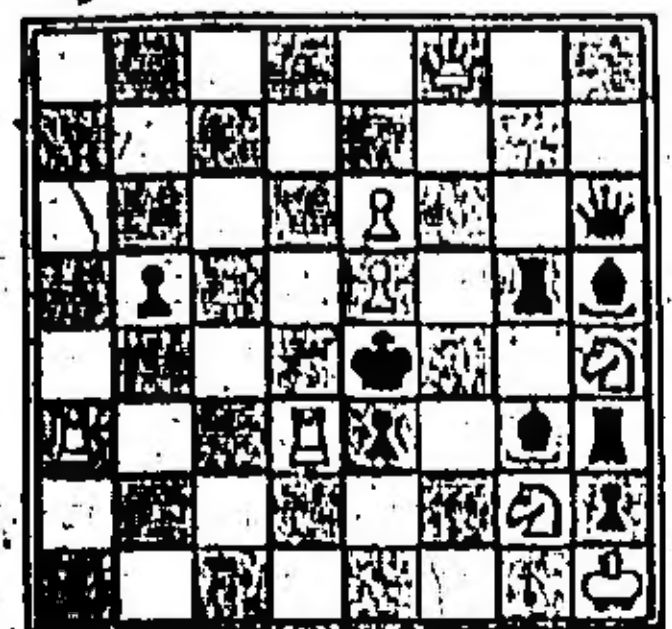
CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♥ Pass 2♥ Pass
3♥ Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♠ A2 ♠ K87 ♠ K4 ♠ A387
What do you do?
A—Bid four no-trump. You are sure that your partner holds the diamond ace but there is never any reason not to check anyway. If he shows the ace, you will go right to seven hearts.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding has been:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 2NT Pass
3♥ Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♠ A987 ♠ K2 ♠ K54 ♠ A87
What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



A problem by V. Troianovsky (Buenos Aires, 1954). White mates in two.
Solution: 1. ♖e2 ♜f6 2. ♖e1 ♜f6 3. ♖e2 ♜f6 4. ♖e1 ♜f6 5. ♖e2 ♜f6 6. ♖e1 ♜f6 7. ♖e2 ♜f6 8. ♖e1 ♜f6 9. ♖e2 ♜f6 10. ♖e1 ♜f6 11. ♖e2 ♜f6 12. ♖e1 ♜f6 13. ♖e2 ♜f6 14. ♖e1 ♜f6 15. ♖e2 ♜f6 16. ♖e1 ♜f6 17. ♖e2 ♜f6 18. ♖e1 ♜f6 19. ♖e2 ♜f6 20. ♖e1 ♜f6 21. ♖e2 ♜f6 22. ♖e1 ♜f6 23. ♖e2 ♜f6 24. ♖e1 ♜f6 25. ♖e2 ♜f6 26. ♖e1 ♜f6 27. ♖e2 ♜f6 28. ♖e1 ♜f6 29. ♖e2 ♜f6 30. ♖e1 ♜f6 31. ♖e2 ♜f6 32. ♖e1 ♜f6 33. ♖e2 ♜f6 34. ♖e1 ♜f6 35. ♖e2 ♜f6 36. ♖e1 ♜f6 37. ♖e2 ♜f6 38. ♖e1 ♜f6 39. ♖e2 ♜f6 40. ♖e1 ♜f6 41. ♖e2 ♜f6 42. ♖e1 ♜f6 43. ♖e2 ♜f6 44. ♖e1 ♜f6 45. ♖e2 ♜f6 46. ♖e1 ♜f6 47. ♖e2 ♜f6 48. ♖e1 ♜f6 49. ♖e2 ♜f6 50. ♖e1 ♜f6 51. ♖e2 ♜f6 52. ♖e1 ♜f6 53. ♖e2 ♜f6 54. ♖e1 ♜f6 55. ♖e2 ♜f6 56. ♖e1 ♜f6 57. ♖e2 ♜f6 58. ♖e1 ♜f6 59. ♖e2 ♜f6 60. ♖e1 ♜f6 61. ♖e2 ♜f6 62. ♖e1 ♜f6 63. ♖e2 ♜f6 64. ♖e1 ♜f6 65. ♖e2 ♜f6 66. ♖e1 ♜f6 67. ♖e2 ♜f6 68. ♖e1 ♜f6 69. ♖e2 ♜f6 70. ♖e1 ♜f6 71. ♖e2 ♜f6 72. ♖e1 ♜f6 73. ♖e2 ♜f6 74. ♖e1 ♜f6 75. ♖e2 ♜f6 76. ♖e1 ♜f6 77. ♖e2 ♜f6 78. ♖e1 ♜f6 79. ♖e2 ♜f6 80. ♖e1 ♜f6 81. ♖e2 ♜f6 82. ♖e1 ♜f6 83. ♖e2 ♜f6 84. 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SURREY'S TRIUMPHANT MARCH HALTED BY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

First Defeat Since May

London, July 30.

Surrey's triumphant march in the County Cricket Championship was halted today by Gloucestershire, who claimed the extra half hour to win by 38 runs.

It was the second year running that the West Country team had beaten Surrey in a close finish. Today's was Surrey's first defeat since May when they lost to Northamptonshire.

Since then they have won 11 times and drawn twice to gain a well-earned position at the top of the table.

Two points for first innings lead was a consolation, but the gap from their nearest rivals was narrowed when Yorkshire took over second place (140 points) by beating Worcestershire and Derbyshire, with first innings lead and bonus against Nottinghamshire, became third with 138.

Northamptonshire and Warwickshire, previously joint second with 134, could not add

to their points and slipped down the table when each lost, like Surrey, for only the second time this season.

Glamorgan (120), Middlesex (116) and Essex (114) follow in what has been a shuffle among most teams in the top half of the table.

TO SURREY'S CREDIT

Gloucestershire scored fast against the Champions before declaring to leave Surrey the task of scoring 130 for victory.

It is to Surrey's credit that they never looked towards a draw to save their record but went all out for a win.

Two wickets fell for 10 and then Mike Stewart and Ken Barrington both passed 50 in a third wicket century stand. A partial collapse did not find Surrey slowing up and they were going for the runs until the end.

The bottom three teams in the Championship, Kent (46), Nottinghamshire (40) and Leicestershire (36), all went away pointless from today's matches, but there were highlights in both the Kent and Leicestershire games.

Stuart Leary, South African footballer with Charlton, reached 100 not out before Kent declared against Sussex. Leary batted four hours 25 minutes and hit eight fours, but he gave away some of his runs when a bowling spell of six overs provided Sussex with 47 runs.

A Sussex declaration did not give Kent time to force a win, but Leary added to his tally with 17 not out.

ALL ELEVEN BOWL

Maurice Holland hit 151 in 265 minutes (21.40) against Somerset, but a draw was always in sight and Somerset gave all their players, even the

wicketkeeper, a turn with the ball.

A top class bowling performance was turned in by Ray Illingworth, whose nine for 42 was largely responsible for Yorkshire taking maximum points from Gloucestershire.

Only yesterday, Frank Fee had nine for 30 for Ireland against Scotland and earlier this month David Halford (Kent) took nine for 30 against Glamorgan.

Frank Tyson, the England Test player, was also on the target with five Glamorgan wickets in 35 balls for five runs (final figure five for 10). But this did not save his county, a Glamorgan declaration being in time for the Wesmen to win by the narrow margin of 23 runs.

Not unnaturally declarations were common in a series largely affected by rain in the earlier stages. There were three halts as a result of rain before Middlesex beat Warwickshire by 47 runs.—Reuter.

Joe Erskine To Defend British Title

London, July 30.

Joe Erskine will defend his British heavyweight boxing title against Henry Cooper, of London, at Harringay Arena, here on September 17.

It will be Erskine's first defence since he won the vacant Championship by defeating Jimmy Williams nearly a year ago. He previously outpointed Cooper in a Championship eliminator.—China Mail Special.

SOCCER TEST AT BRISBANE



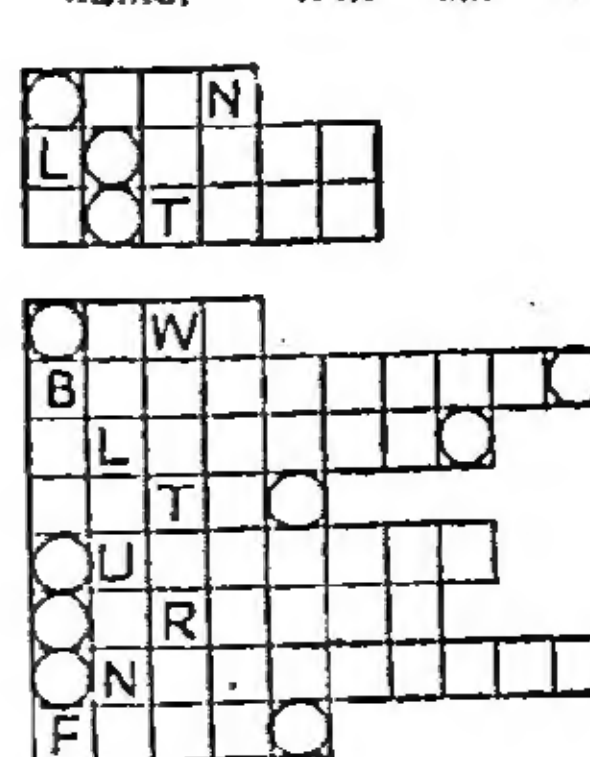
This fine action picture was taken during the soccer game between Australia and China at the Brisbane Cricket Ground last week. Australian goalie J. Ryters had just brought off an amazing "save" when he flew into the air to deflect the ball over the goalmouth.—Brisbane Telegraph Photo.



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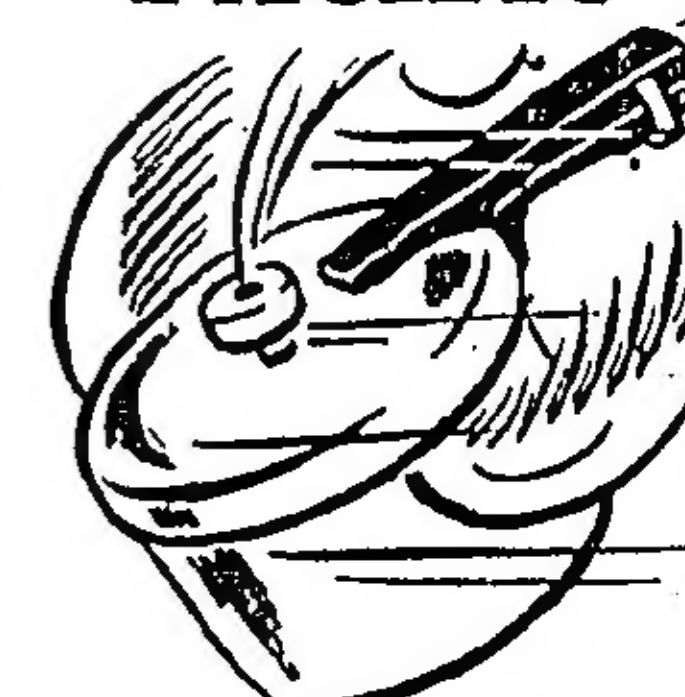
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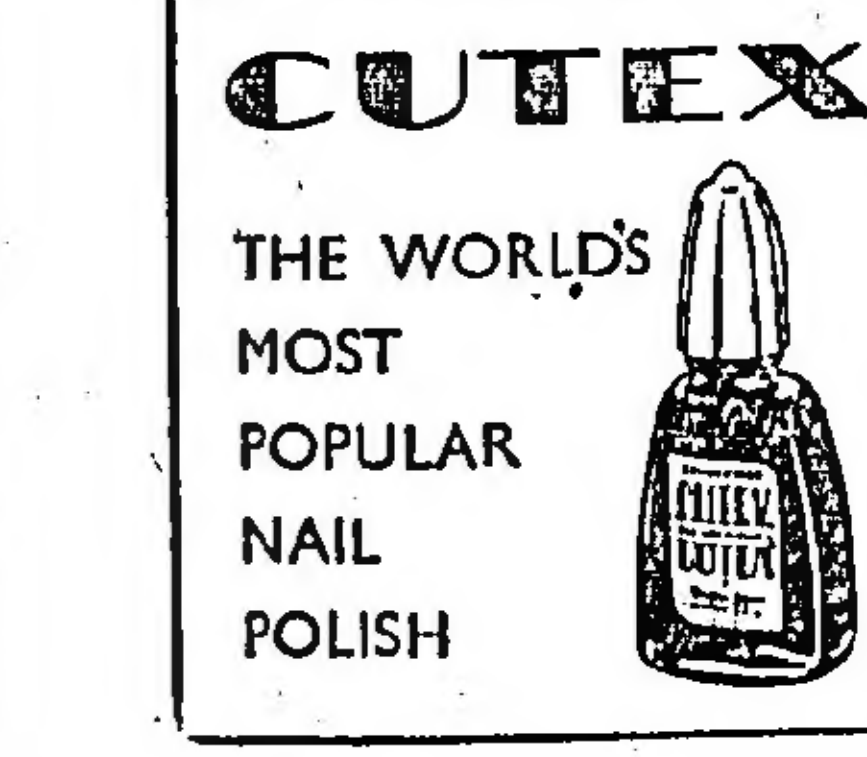
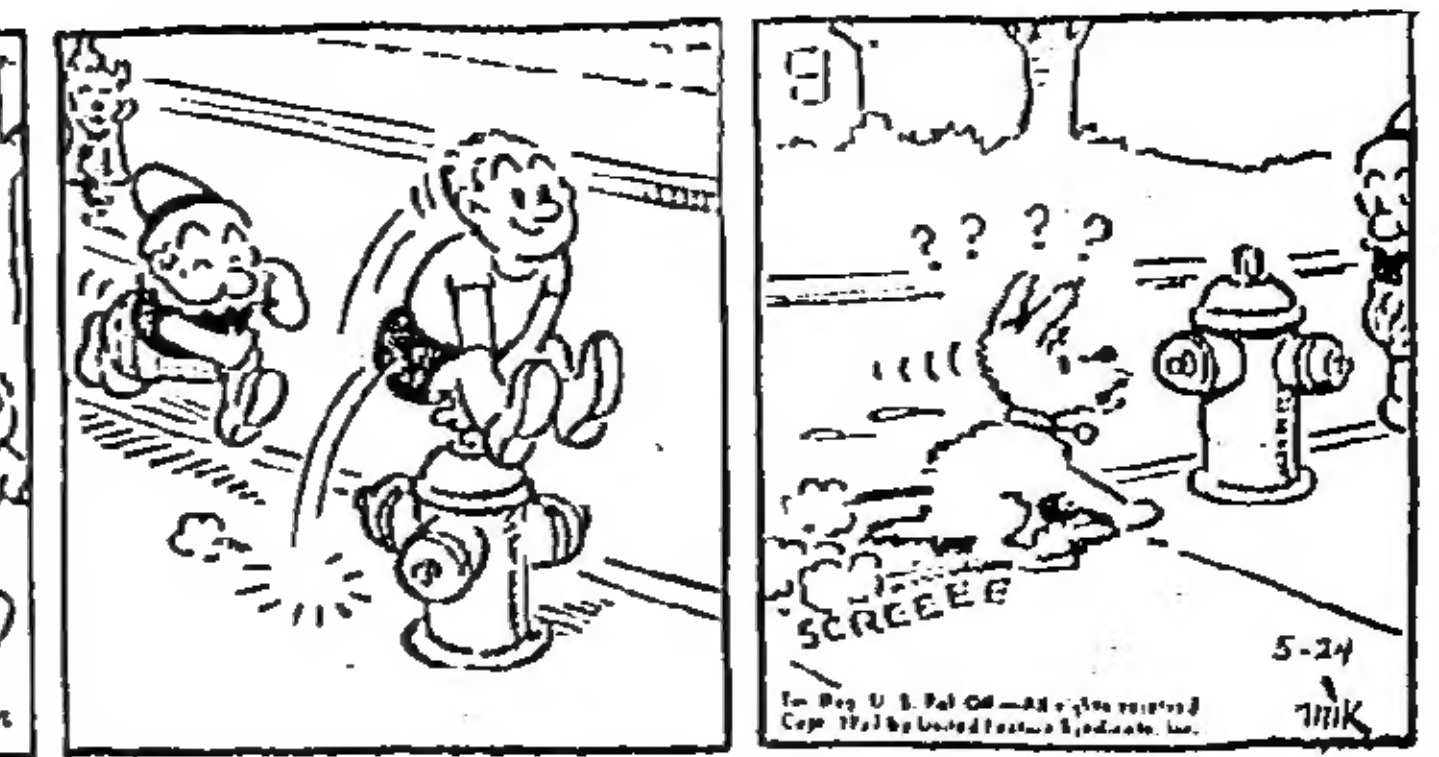
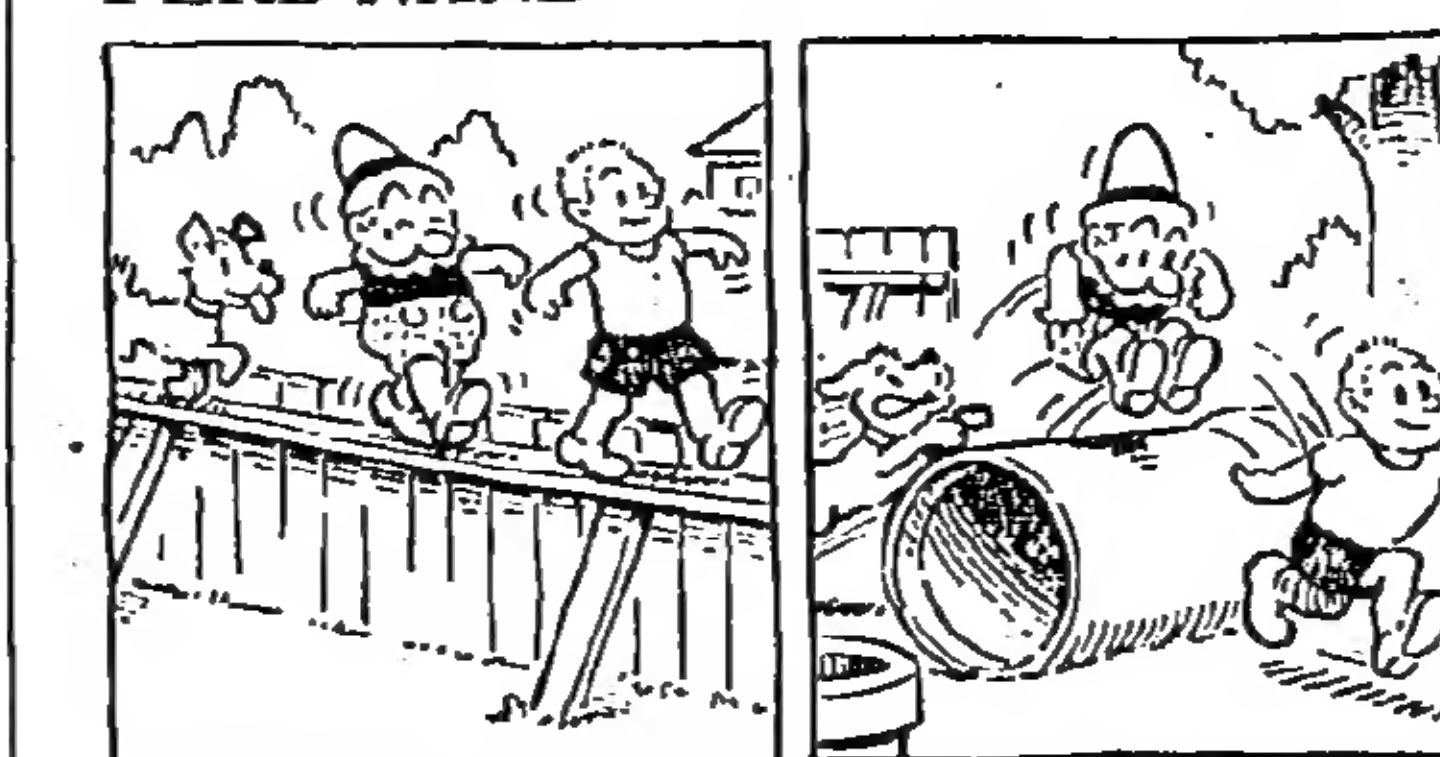
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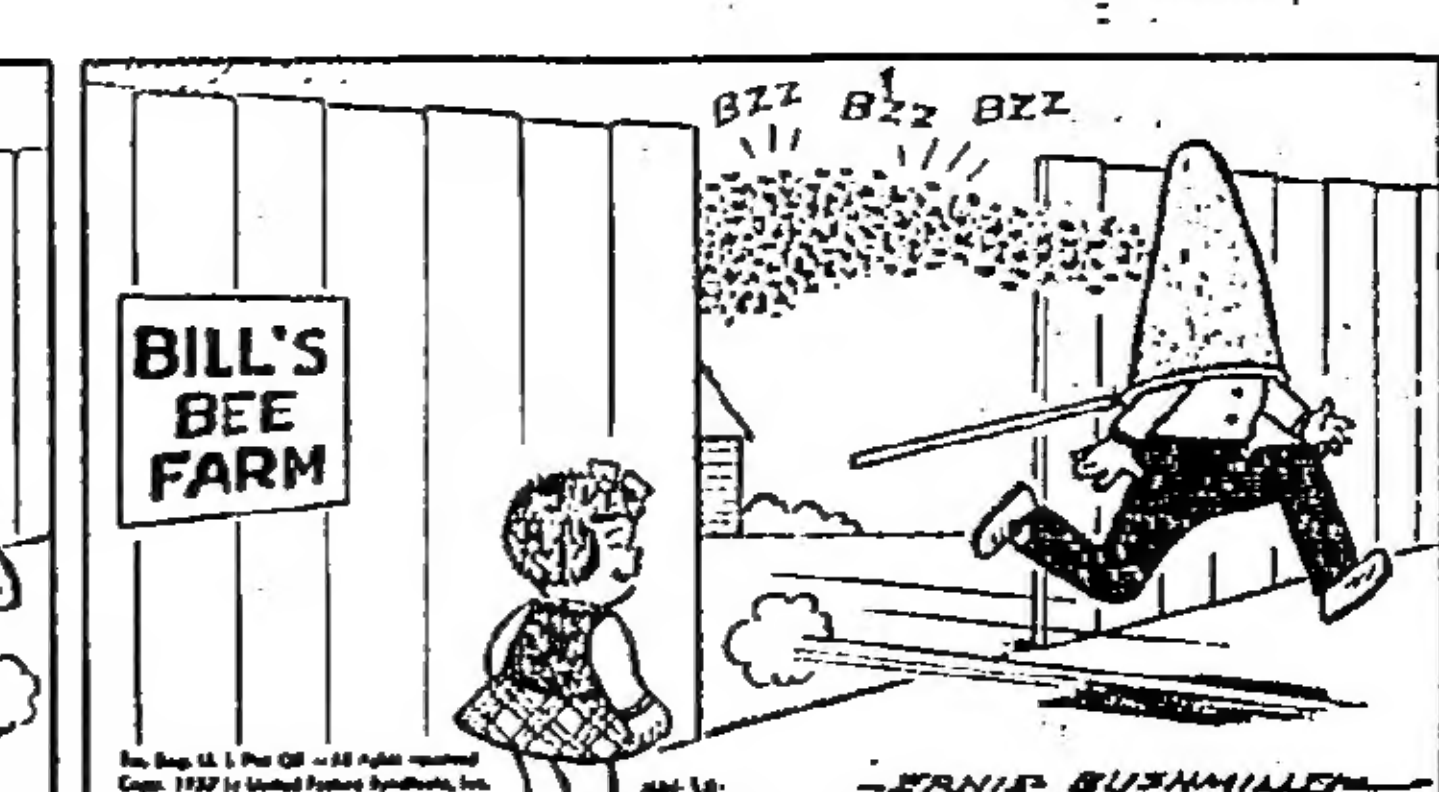
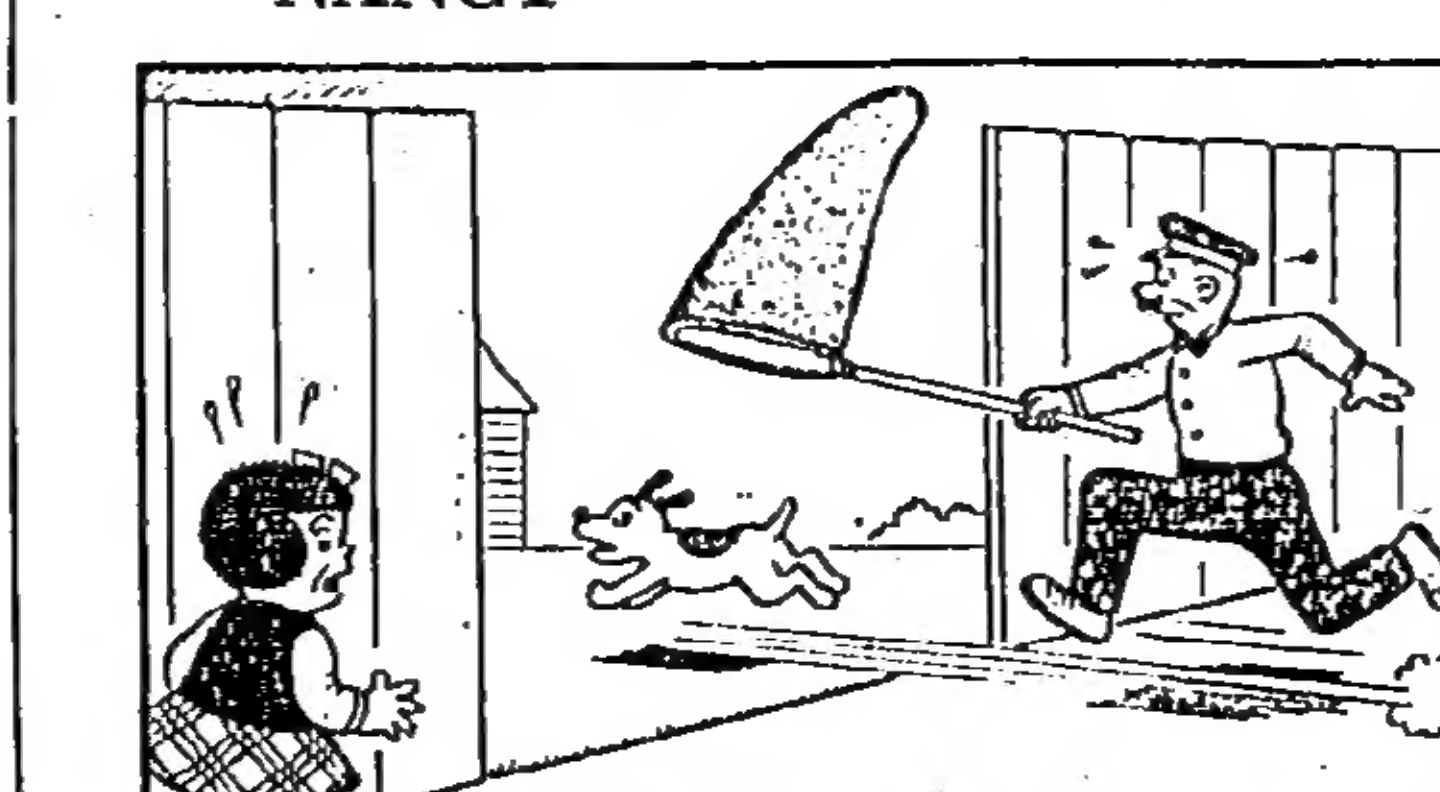
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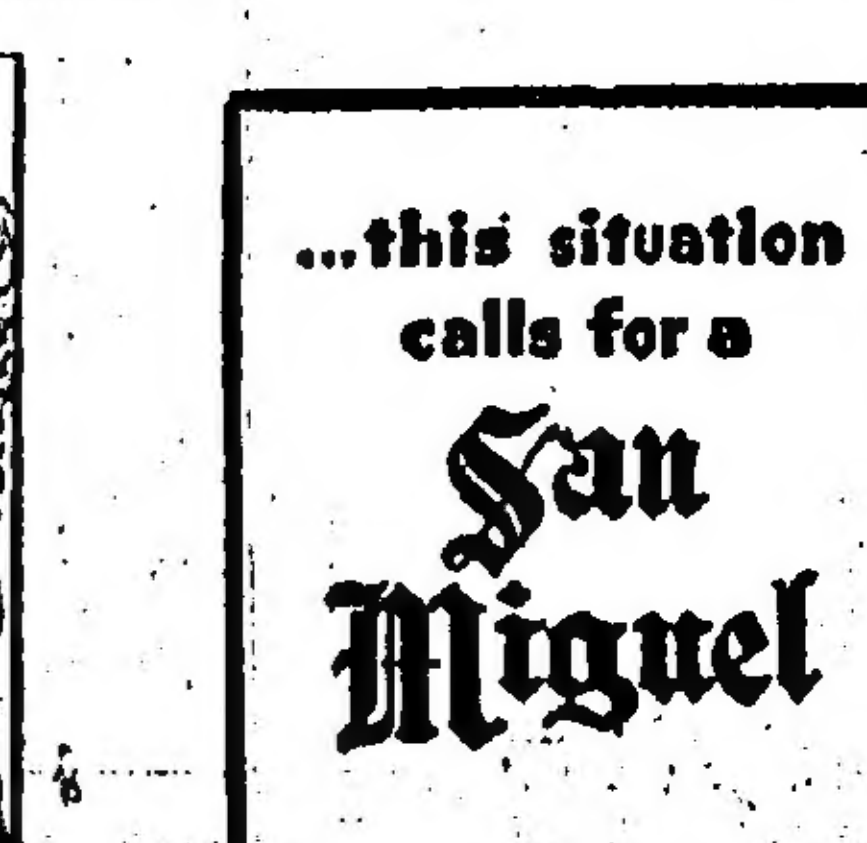
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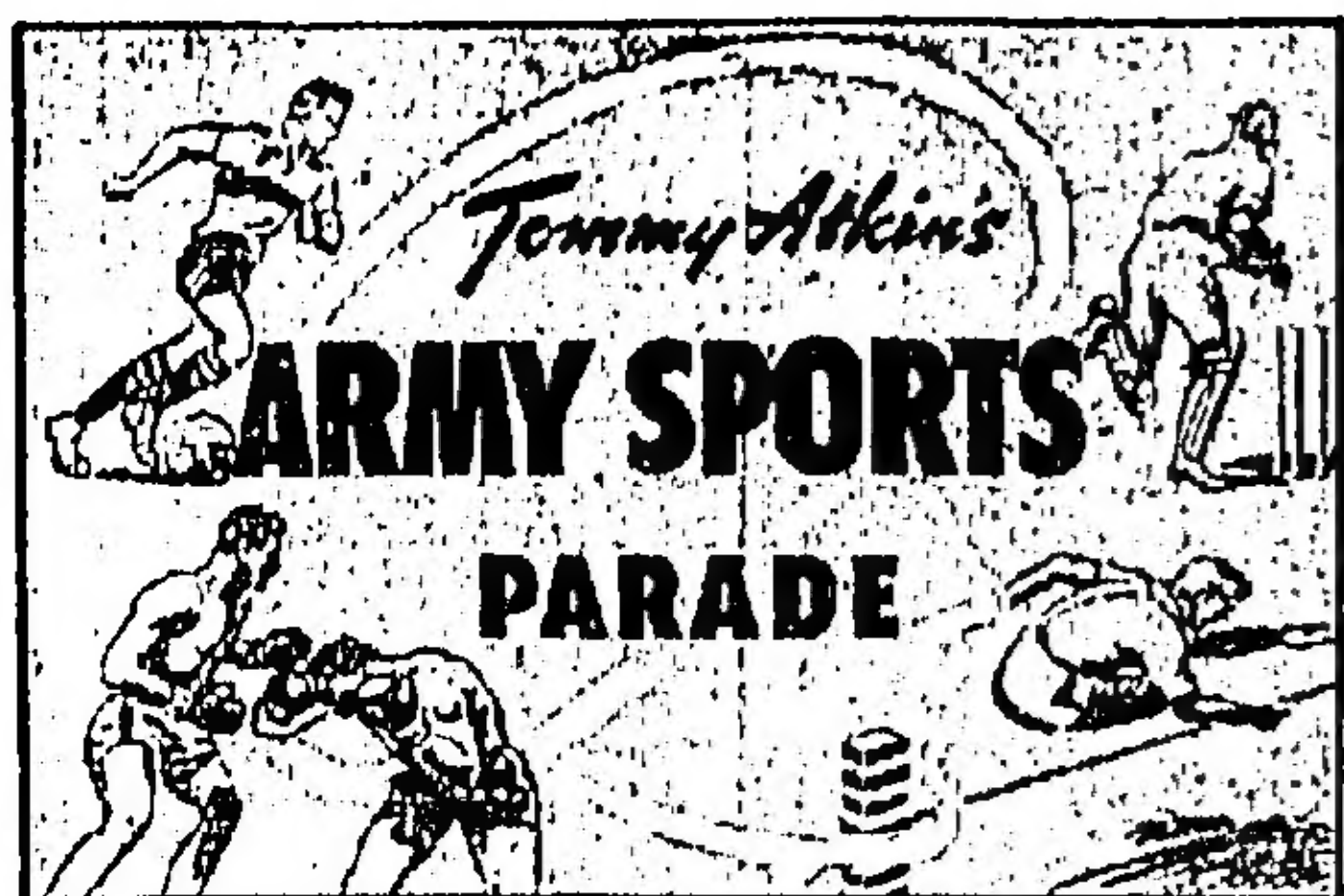


By Frank Robbins

JOHNNY HAZARD



...this situation
calls for a
San Miguel



Tommy Atkins has spent the last few days setting up a few more lamps so that this week's spotlight might shine the more brightly on as gallant a band of soldiery as is likely to be found anywhere. I refer to the members of 33 General Hospital who entered the 'Walkathon', and by sheer determination and courage carried themselves round as gruelling a course as anyone would wish for, under, for some five hours, a blazing sun.

Led by Captain Nigel Last, who it may be remembered persuaded a party from the hospital to enter last year, the "team" of thirteen was added to by the honorary inclusion of Mrs Peggy Busby, the wife of competitor Sgt. Dave Busby, to avoid that 'unlucky' feeling.

They certainly took note of the starting anthem of the RAF contingent to "Keep right on to the end of the road".

Mrs Busby decided to have some salt after covering ten miles, and took four tablets, which not surprisingly made her ill. Exit Peggy, then there were 12. To make sure that the unlucky tag did not dog their steps, Sgt. Ray Chesley gave up after 12 miles, to be followed by Mr. Francis Wood at 15 miles, while Sgt. Dave Busby, having braved the stiff climb up the hill from Shek O without seeing his wife coming down, gave up the race to organise search parties. He found her enjoying cool drinks at Shek O.

FLOODED ON

The ten remaining heroes plodded on until at the 17-mile mark the oldest member, S/Sgt. George Tabor, had to give the race a rest. It was very plucky effort on this NCO's part, he having only recently recovered from a spell of ill health.

This brought the survivors to the appropriate number of "degrees of difficulty" and these nine walked on determined to "make it", and make it they did. At about this stage Capt. Nigel Last decided to force ahead and, from being 20th through the check point at Shek O, he made excellent time to be 5th at the half way stage at Stanley, almost 22 miles from the start, and on corrected time was 28 minutes behind the leader.

The check point at Aberdeen saw only 24 ahead of him, but the leader had pulled up two minutes and was 30 minutes ahead, an almost impossible lead to reduce in the two miles left.

Plodding on, very tired, he moved up a further ten places, but the leader also lengthened his advantage, and finished 40 minutes ahead of Nigel who completed the 41.7 miles in 9 hours, 1 minute, 1 second, to claim 25th position. He did, however, produce the second best time for a European competitor, behind that phenomenal 58-year-old young walker, G. S. Kennedy-Skipkin, the Chairman of the Hongkong Race Walking Association, and claim it is that Nigel may claim it in Army and Inter-Service Champion for the long distance event, and he thoroughly deserves every congratulation, firstly for staying with his teammates until they had their "second wind", and secondly for coming up from the rear to finish so well.

Asked for his impressions, he was laud in his praise (as indeed were the majority of competitors) for the excellence of the arrangements made by the organisers, and thinks that the three glasses of beer he had after crossing the finishing line were the finest he had ever tasted.

The other determined plodders must not be forgotten. All eight of them finished the course, four of them inside the ten-hour limit.

Second and third home from the "Medics" team were Pte. Jim Alexander, in 9 hours 33 minutes, with Sgt. Bob Hoiga's two second behind to take 73rd and 74th position, while Sgt. Mick Holland and Pte. Godfrey Meager completed 44th and 49th, both in 9 hours 44 minutes, and Godfrey some 60 seconds longer.

Almost 40 minutes later Sgt. Bill Keegan and S/Sgt. Eric Artley breezed in to 12th and 17th places, and Bill paid his senior a nice compliment by saying that the cheerfulness and good heart of Eric got him to the end of the road.

Last but not least of the 33 General Hospital contingent, Sgt. Joe Smith and Pte. Terrence McNally claimed

158th and 137th places—of the 145 to finish, their time being 10 hours 55 minutes.

SIGNIFICANT

It is significant that one young lady finished just ahead and two just behind this pair. Could it be that they were being gentlemanly and escorting these members of the fair sex along the long stretch of unlighted road between Aberdeen and Kennedy Town?

Terry in fact tells me he was coaxed into this walk under false pretences, being told it was a "real unit" competition, and, having promised to enter, felt he could not withdraw. He has never walked any great distance before and promises to be very careful in future when answering questions on his wishes to compete in any sport.

He it was who produced one of the lighter moments in the serious event. Asking for a drink from the unit, "Jokers" (who, incidentally, were Sgt. Ken Brock and Pte. Frank Jenks, both of whom worked like beavers throughout the long afternoon and night to keep their charges on the move), he was given a bottle and just after the Shek O check point he took a long drink of this to find it was glucose very liberally laced with brandy.

The effect of this on an almost non-drinker, and on an empty stomach, was alarming, and it was reported that one very happy competitor raced up the long hill in fine style, singing lustily.

Sgt. Mick Holland produced the other story. Trudging along alone late in the evening he passed a lone spectator sitting by the roadside. Purely for the sake of something to say, Mick said as he passed, "What wouldn't I give for a nice cold beer?"

The stranger rose and promptly handed an amazed and grateful NCO, yes, you are right, a bottle of beer, and, stranger still, it really was cold.

THE ONLY UNIT

Well, this is the story of this year's "Walkathon" from the only Army unit to put in a serious entry, and if my memory serves me aright, only two other Army men were competing. Sgt. W. Jones, RA, who came in 52nd, and a Sapper, Cpl. Manns, who ploughed through the field in the early stages, but who retired before reaching Stanley.

The RAMC, often thought of as the less active members of the Service, have proved once more that their Regimental motto, "IN ARDIUS FIDELIS" (Faithful under difficulties), can be borne by the modern soldier equally as well as it has been in the past, and for anyone who might think that this praise is exaggerated all I can say to them is, start off from the Government Stadium at 1300hrs on any day and walk round the Island on the "Walkathon" course.

The organisation of this event could hardly be bettered, and I noticed only one small point worthy of comment. At Shek O competitors had to cross the road to rejoin the main course. Quite often they had to wait up to two minutes while police officers directed traffic past.

This time isn't long, but it could be all the difference between first and second place, and in any case some competitors may have been affected by the break in rhythm. I would suggest that next year this check point could be regulated, or perhaps the authorities could give priority to the competitors for a short period.

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The highest praise is due to the St John Ambulance Brigade for the care and attention they gave to the competitors throughout the twelve hours of the race. From Stanley onwards the roads took on the appearance of a battlefield with

AT WASHINGTON

Bill Introduced To Waive Fingerprinting Sportsmen

Washington, July 30.

Representative Patrick Hillings introduced a bill today to waive fingerprinting of foreign athletes who take part in the Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley, California, in 1960.

Mr. Hillings, top-ranking Republican on the House Immigration Sub-Committee, said approval of his measure "will do much to assure the success" of the 1960 Winter Olympics. Under present immigration laws athletes would have to be fingerprinted to get visitors' visas to the U.S.

"Since the Olympic Games are designed to foster international goodwill and all countries, including many of those in the Communist world, have an opportunity to participate fully in the competitive sports, it seems to me most desirable to eliminate the fingerprinting requirement which has caused misunderstanding and criticism of our nation," he said.

Mr. Hillings said the Olympic Games Committee was "most desirous" that Congress pass his bill.—United Press.

Scarborough Pro Tennis Results

London, July 30.

Three Pakistani tennis players today qualified for the third round of the Scarborough professional championships, which opened yesterday at the Yorkshire resort.

In the second round today, Nasrullah Khan beat R. Namani (France) 6-0, 7-5, 7-6, 6-1. Mustaf Alamed beat R. G. Smith 6-0, 6-3, 6-3 and Ali A. Khan beat R. V. Ristic (Yugoslavia) 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.—France-Press.

grating bodies every few hundred yards.

Cramp and exhaustion were the chief complaint of all competitors, and all were dealt with efficiently and sympathetically before being conveyed to central points on the route where they could be given transport back to town.

Competitors in the main did not comply with the instruction to walk on the right of the road, and who can blame them. It is difficult to appreciate such fine points when just across the road there is a delightfully shady spot, and where you are the sun is blazing down. Also the cutting off of the corners on such a long winding course must be a consideration.

Motorists in the main obeyed the excellent signs erected along the course, and drove with caution, and the red luminous strips which enclosed the walkers' race numbers were most effective, standing out clearly in the headlights.

Well done, Medics, let's hope next year you do even better in this most gruelling test of stamina.

News has just been received of Capt. Bill Withall, RE, who was skipper of the Army South cricket team until the early part of last season. In a match at Lord's Bill struck a just 71 for the Royal Engineers in their annual match against the Royal Artillery, held on July 15 and 16.

Next week I hope to continue the review of Unit sport over the past year, and 6 COD will be under the lights.

